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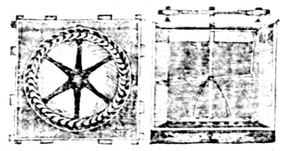

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SPEECH OF SENATOR BENTON.

Mr Benton delivered the following speech, by invitation of his constituents at St Louis, Missouri, on the 13th ult. As it has been generally copied, and much commented on by the papers, we have concluded to publish it.

Mr. Benton commenced with returning thanks for the honor of the invitation to a public dinner from his political friends. He had declined the honor of the dinner, in conformity to a rule which he had long followed, and as for the speech which might have been expected at the dinner table, he preferred to make it under circumstances which admitted a more general audience, and would prevent no one from hearing it who chose to listen to it.

Great questions, he said, had occupied the public mind, and received their solution, in the last two or three years of his public service, on a few of which he had been called to act a decided, and even a prominent part, and on each of which it was natural for him to say something on the present occasion. The Oregon question was one of these. At one time big with all the calamities of war, it was now hushed in repose and the country tranquil and happy under its peaceful settlement. His own course in relation to it had been consistent and unbroken. He had opposed the first concession in the year 1818 as soon as it was made, he opposed its first renewal in 1827, he had resisted its indefinite renewal in 1828, he had voted for the notice to end the joint occupancy, and he had always kept the ground of 49 to be the proper dividing line between the American territory of Oregon and the British territory of Vancouver's Area. But the right was not always precisely the right of his own party, had been wished for as a thread and a higher view of our rights. Flattering hints, and even more, had become our demand. War was the British answer to that claim, and enough a threat of war with the no fear of war, it was very serious. He was opposed to war, and he had always been opposed to war with England, and he had always been opposed to war with Mexico. He had opposed the war with Mexico, and he had always been opposed to war with England, and he had always been opposed to war with Mexico. He had opposed the war with Mexico, and he had always been opposed to war with England, and he had always been opposed to war with Mexico.

The next great question was the Texas question, and its bloody sequence.

The next attempt was in Gen. Jackson's time, Mr. Van Buren being Secretary of State. A Texas war was then in the previous Administration, but with no better result. The negotiation miscarried, though zealously supported by President Jackson, his Secretary of State and the minister at Mexico. He, Mr. B., cooperated with them, filling the newspapers with articles in praise of Texas, and using all the arguments for getting her back which have since been repeated by others who gave no help then. And so the second attempt to regain the mischief of the treaty of 1819, fixed as the first had done.

The mission of General Morrison Hunt, Minister in Texas, was the next attempt to bring Texas into the Union; but the parties were then changed, it was for the battle of San Jacinto, and Texas herself became the applicant. Mr. Van Buren was then President—Mr. Forsyth, his Secretary of State—and all in favor of getting back the country. But Texas and Mexico, though not fighting, had not made peace; they were in the legal state of war with respect to each other, and to have admitted Texas into the Union would have been to have made peace on the war, and to have placed the United States at war with Mexico. Neither just or nor policy permitted the measure; as it let upon two would make peace after another, and then annexation could be effected without a breach with Mexico. Upon this view they acted. He, Mr. B. concurred with them, and so did all the people of the United States.

The question of admission of Texas then went to sleep, and was quietly waiting the result of the war with Mexico. As the [illegible] Mr. Polk's Administration, the cost of [illegible] of making war for the year 1845, during Mr. Tyler's Administration, was cost of [illegible] had given her own words was [illegible] terms for annexation at [illegible] and the treaty of 1841 was [illegible] to be signed a negotiator. The old terms of Texas stood upon their old ground. The countries were still at war, but not at the time after the people have wanted Texas annexed to the United States, and were willing to make the [illegible] Mexico, and [illegible] Great Britain and France, to the contrary. A [illegible] was resisted, the treaty was signed and was [illegible] to the Senate, became its fate before [illegible] Mexico—He, Mr. B. was one of the majority in the Senate—and [illegible] war with Mexico—He, Mr. B. was one of the majority in the Senate—and [illegible] war with Mexico.

Mr. B. here [illegible] Mr. B. [illegible] Mr. B. [illegible] Mr. B.

...ers had been attacked at a pass call'ed ... Gordon, about half-way between Saltillo ... Chihuahua, by a Mexican force from Durango, under Gen. Rez—at whom I never recollect ... before—and that Col. D had been defeated ... severe loss and all his artillery captured. ... may be some truth in this report, as the ... once was *en route* to join Gen. Wool's ... at Saltillo. All we can do is to hope ... the report is unfounded and await authentic ... on.

I mentioned in my last that a member of the ... Carolina Regiment was shot in the thigh ... Mexican, on his recent trip up here; I after... ascertained that the commissary of the ... ay Cavalry, who accompanied the train, ... attacked and wounded in the cheek with ...

The health of the army at this post is very ... the sick list quite small.

The War and Peace.—What will Scott when he gets to the Capital? is the ... in every one's mouth. His safe ... at that goal of our military ambi... is now regarded as a fixed fact. But what next? Possessed of the metropolis, and having conquered the largest ... of the territory, the people still ... ining, however, a hostile attitude, ... whether course can Gen. Scott pursue ... to assume the reins of power and or... the government on fair and just ... ciples, and thus to hold the country ... Congress shall provide for the final ... ttlement of our difficulties with Mexico? ... h a course is, we believe, wise and judi... us. We have no expectations of forc... the Mexicans into a peace. The ridi... ... idea of conquering a peace" is a chimera. The Mexicans are the proudest and most obstinate, as well as the wildest and most sensitive people in the world. Defeat and overthrow will only engender in their minds a sullen enmity and inextinct spirit of revenge, and a burning desire to redeem their prostrate name and blot out the indignities heaped upon them by this war, which no hostile or forcible measures, on our part, can ever obliterate or destroy.—*N. O. Delta.*

From the St. Louis Republican, May 17.

LATEST FROM SANTA FE AND CALIFORNIA

Yesterday evening several gentlemen arrived from Santa Fe and Chihuahua, from whom we have gathered the following information:

Col. Price was still at Santa Fe, and all was quiet, but it was believed to be that ... and stillness of quiet which superior ... force imposes. Although the insurrection had been put down, it was the general opinion that they only needed the ... of a competent leader to rise again. ... Mexican government was going on as try... to suppress insurgents.

The Court at Taos had condemned a ... of the insurgents to be hung, and ... had been executed, and a large ... was pending.

These executions excited the Mexicans ... and they were endeavoring to ... combinations for another insurrection.

The Comanches and the Pawnees had ... Lopez, Polonio and Jacquez in the ... of Santa Fe. They were believed ... instrumental in capturing 24 horses ... miles from Taos. Polk who supposed ... Indian was killed and several ...

Gen. Kearney had been joined at San ... by Col. Cook, and the battalion of ... mounted riflemen. The Gen. then ... (Monterey dispatch.) The ... was still in dispute between Kearney and Commodore Stockton. ... stated that Gen. Kearney intended ... out on his return about the ... of July, but the state of affairs, it was ... might delay his departure.

Lt. Col. Fremont was at Ciudad de ... acting as Governor of the Territory ... under an appointment from Com. ... The Commodore had returned to ... ship, and had left that part of the ...

Mississippi Volunteers.—Preparations are everywhere making in Mississippi, to ... the gallant volunteers from that State, ... their return home from the war, in ... they have acted so conspicuous a ... as to become worthy of their distin... character, and of the State on ... history will reflect the glory of their ...—*New Orleans Delta.*

The Illinois Volunteers.—The correspondent of the New Orleans Times states, on the authority of Col. Baker himself, that he brings home less than one-half of the troops carried by him from the United States. The bodies of the other half are in the soil of Mexico, and their memory is a very character of their country. ... correspondent also states that but a solitary ... regiment has been guilty of drunkenness ... insubordination, and *his* offence was ... punished for by a fine of seven dollars and a few hours of double duty. This ... speaks well for the character of Col. ... regiment.

We rather think the present Administration is in a fair way to make the interesting discovery, that, if Presidents can make wars, wars can make Presidents.

Mr. Polk's Pass.—The North American says the following as the pass which ... people of the Union have long since ... entitled upon, to take effect on and after ... March the 4th, 1849.

... Congress.—You are hereby notified ... TO OBSTRUCT THE PASSAGE *of* ... *Polk and suite to Tennessee*, as it has ... and advisable that he should return thither.

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

PORT OF WILMINGTON.

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FAYETTEVILLE:

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 1, 1847.

MR. KERR'S APPOINTMENTS IN CHATHAM.—We are authorised to state, that John Kerr, Esq. will address his fellow citizens of Chatham County,—

At the Cane Creek Factory, Saturday 5th June,
At Hadley's Mills on Monday 7th June,
At Jones's Grove on Wednesday 9th June, and
At Pittsborough on Saturday 12th June.

President Polk and Lady, Secretary Mason and daughter, and Col. Walker, the President's Private Secretary, arrived at Richmond, Va., on Friday afternoon last, on their way to Chapel Hill. During their stay of an hour and a half, every possible mark of respect was shown to them by the city authorities, the military, and the citizens.

They reached Raleigh on Saturday afternoon, and took up their quarters at Col. Yarborough's Hotel, where rooms had been provided for them, by the Committee of Arrangements. There was a military and civic procession, illumination, &c.

Yesterday they were to go to Chapel Hill, there to remain till Friday morning, when they will start for Washington.

The President was welcomed to the State at Gaston by John D. Hawkins, Esq. at Franklin by D. K. McRae, Esq. at Raleigh by Wm. D. Haywood, Esq. Intendant, and Professor Green, of the University, to all of whom he appropriately responded.

A man named Dancey was instantly killed at Franklinton, as the parting salute was given to the President.

NO PROSPECT OF PEACE.—The following article from the Picayune, shows that in the opinion of Gen. Patterson, who is just from Gen. Scott's Head Quarters, and from his position must be presumed to be well acquainted with the actual state of things in Mexico, there is no prospect whatever of peace:—

As we anticipated, the return of the twelve months' volunteers, who constituted so important a portion of Gen. Scott's army, has embarrassed his plan of marching immediately upon the city of Mexico. Maj. Gen. Patterson was to have gone forward with the advance; but that officer is now in this city. The two Tennessee, the 3d and 4th Illinois, the Georgia and Alabama regiments have all left the army, thus rendering it below a force with which to enter the capital of a populous State with safety. Gen. Scott will push forward to Puebla; but beyond this he will scarcely go till reinforced, unless he be invited there by the dissensions of the enemy—in that case he will be prompted more by the defenceless state of the city than by the strength of his own column.

It is the opinion of officers just returned from Mexico—and we may mention the name of Gen. Patterson in this connection—that the probability of conquering a peace upon the plan of warfare hitherto pursued is slender indeed. It is thought by them that an army of forty thousand, rank and file, should be in the field; that exposed cities should be put under the jurisdiction of American citizens; that the governors of the State should be seized to prevent the expenses of the war; that all the resources pertaining to the Government should be held as spoils of war; and that the military authority set up by the United States army should exercise all the powers of taxation and legislation belonging to the civil administration of the country. This plan embraces the idea of actual conquest and absolute jurisdiction, and is deemed the only feasible one of bringing the war to a close.

It is the belief of Gen. Patterson and others who have given the subject a large consideration, that an authority embracing all the necessary attributes of sovereignty, set up in Mexico, could collect revenue equal to its wants; and that the people of that country can alone be brought to their senses by the exhibition of such an authority. To permit the alcalde to use his functions in a captured city, or the native civil magistracy to conduct public affairs, is keeping an enemy in power who will be slowly contriving against the army. This system has been productive of hurt wherever it has been tried in Mexico, and experience demands its abandonment.

A military government, administered upon civilized principles, it is contended, would be preferable to the one now existing in Mexico. It would be more acceptable to the tax-payers, it is supposed, than the present arbitrary and vacillating one. It would be able to maintain itself without greater exactions than the country is accustomed to bear, and might in the end leave the people in a better condition to govern themselves than they now are. These ideas seem plausible, and it might be wise to give them an experiment in some of the captured States. The opinion is becoming more and more general that the United States may conquer Mexico; but a peace—never.

A letter from New Orleans, referring to Gen. Patterson, and doubtless expressing his opinions, states them in still longer language: "No signs of peace—no signs of any thing like surrender.—There are but two alternatives left to us—to fall back and hold on to the seacoast and frontier line, or to conquer the whole country, province by province, extend our jurisdiction, and collect taxes and contributions. All this is impossible; fifty thousand men would at least be required."

And yet what else is to be done?

The Washington Correspondent of the New York Journal of Commerce, who is generally well informed of Administration secrets, says,—

"Our Government, *it is known*, has, since the reduction of Vera Cruz and the Castle, *sent to Mexico a renewed offer of peace, and on terms more favorable to her than the one made through Mr. Atocha last winter.* Of the reception of that offer we have not yet heard. It is supposed that the result will be known here by the 10th of June."

This was undoubtedly the purpose of the mission of Mr. Trist, Chief Clerk of the State Department, whose arrival at Vera Cruz, and departure for Gen. Scott's head quarters, are announced by the late arrivals.

One of the South Carolina Regiment writes from Jalapa, that all concur in the conviction, that "on the part of the Mexicans there is a deep settled feeling of hatred towards us, from the highest military officer down to the lowest market woman, and they do not take the trouble to dissemble it." Another point of concurrence in almost the entire army, he says, "is a desire for peace—immediate peace. But, unless we dictate the terms of peace ourselves, and they at once acquiesce, or some other power interposes and does it for us, we have a life-time war. We are involved with a stubborn and foolhardy people, who do not know when they are conquered, and would not acknowledge it if they did. We must then either ravage and desolate the country, or take possession, people and govern it. These will be the only alternatives."

The Locofocos are evidently getting to be heartily sick of the War; and the daily cry of the Union, (which it calls lustily upon its followers to echo,) is, that it is owing to the Whigs that Peace cannot be obtained. The following is one of its assertions to that effect, taken from a column of similar foul falsehoods—

"We most confidently believe, on the best and the most recent information we have been able to obtain, *the chief, if not the sole obstacle to a pacification between the two countries now*, is to be found in the impression produced upon the Mexican government and people by the past and present tone and attitude of some of the federal leaders and federal prints in relation to the war, its causes and purposes. Among these factious prints, circumstances have given to the National Intelligencer at Washington the leading place."

The Union goes on to assert, that the Mexicans expect the Whigs to stop the supplies for carrying on the war. We know not what the Mexicans expect (nor do we believe the Union knows;) but we do know, as the Union does, that as long as our country is at war, there is no danger of any party stopping the supplies necessary to sustain our army and navy engaged in carrying it on. This, therefore, is a wretched libel of the Union. It has been the apparent purpose of that paper, and of the Locofoco party generally, ever since the war began, to force the Whigs into that position; but without success. The Whigs feel their duty to their country too correctly to be forced into a position against which every feeling of patriotism revolts. The Whigs have supported the war, in the Council with their votes, in the country with their money, and in the field with their blood. It is this weak and wicked Administration which they oppose, for its many evil deeds, but especially that it engaged in an unnecessary war—a war the responsibility of which it had not the manliness to avow, after it had brought it on—a war by which it expected to secure unbounded fame and popularity, but which so stinks in the nostrils of the people, that its organ is incessantly striving to screen it from the odium of having commenced it, and to throw upon the Whigs the responsibility of its inability to bring it to a close. And yet it daily contradicts all these its assertions, by declaring that the Administration has reaped a perfect harvest of glory from this same war!

The fact is, that every calculation of the party has been blighted by the war. It was waged for the aggrandizement of Polk and his party; it has utterly prostrated them. It was waged to secure the succession of a Locofoco President, probably Polk himself; it has made the election of Taylor certain. It was waged to bully the Mexicans, whom all parties supposed could be vanquished in a single field—"whipped before breakfast;" it has already lasted a year, with no prospect of a close, and has lost us, in blood and treasure, more than all Mexico is worth. And yet, according to the Union, the Administration is totally irresponsible for the beginning and the unending of the war—irresponsible on all the evil, *but entitled to all the glory!*

MOVEMENT OF TROOPS.—Lieut Chas. R Jones, of the Army, took his departure from this place on Thursday last, on the Steamer Cotton Plant, for Wilmington, with 65 regular soldiers, recruits for this and neighboring counties by James Hand, Lieut. Cantwell.

Capt. Wm J. Clarke's Company left Raleigh on Monday or last week, and proceeded to Wilmington. They are, we believe, between 70 and 80 men, besides some 30 already in Wilmington.

The scenes just before their departure, says the Star, were peculiarly interesting, and well calculated to test the fortitude of the soldier and of the friends and relatives who were present. The Ruggod Mountain Boys, (as they have turned out to be, of them all of the right stamp,) and the citizens of both sexes, the company were drawn up into double rank. Then Capt. Clarke, in a few appropriate sentences, by Hon. Duncan Cameron, on behalf of the ladies of the North Carolina Bible Society, who presented to each man of the Washington Company a Bible, which was performed by the venerable President of that Society, in a very impressive and affecting manner. The language and sentiments of the gentleman's address were characterized by great appropriateness, by chaste eloquence and beauty. He concluded by presenting to each soldier a Bible, accompanied by a peculiarly touching manner, upon the mind of the soldiers, that a gift of higher value than the Scriptures could not be bestowed upon them, and that their duties as soldiers were not to supersede with their duties as Christians, and urged them to read and practice the wholesome precepts therein contained, by which their morals were to be preserved and their spiritual and eternal interests secured. He was eloquently replied to by Capt. Clarke, who, on behalf of himself and company, returned thanks to the Society for these sacred gifts, and promised that they should be used. The whole scene presented a sublime spectacle, as an open acknowledgement of, and practical homage to, our holy religion, which cannot fail to produce a most happy effect upon the public mind.

Immediately after this impressive ceremony, another of scarcely less interest and effect took place—that of presenting a sword to Capt Clarke by the Ladies of this city. This was done, in their name, in a very neat and appropriate address, by E. B. Freeman, Esq., which was responded to by Capt. C. in the happiest terms."

RETURN OF VOLUNTEERS.—The 12 months men are returning to New Orleans in great numbers. On one day, the 22d, came about 400 Tennessee Cavalry, three companies of Tennessee Infantry, one company of Kentucky, 130 rank and file of 3d Illinois Regiment, and 50 discharged teamsters, —all from Vera Cruz.

The first Tennessee Regiment, which marched into New Orleans a year ago 900 strong, has just returned to that city, numbering just 300! The remainder fell at Monterey, and at Cerro Gordo, and died or were discharged on account of sickness.

Troops are almost daily embarking at New Orleans for Mexico, mostly for Vera Cruz.

RETURN OF THE WOUNDED AND SICK.—A vessel arrived at New Orleans from Vera Cruz, on the 20th, with 12 officers and 170 wounded and sick privates of the 2d Tennessee regiment.

On the 15th, about 60 sick men from the squadron arrived at Pensacola. They went into the hospitals.

LIEUT BRYAN.—In the report of Lieut O'Brien, (under whom Lieut. Bryan of Raleigh served in the battle of Buena Vista,) dated Feb. 25, but only now received at Washington, and published in the Union of Tuesday last, we find the following high compliment to Lieut. Bryan:—

"It is with unalloyed gratification that I have to speak of the conduct of Brevet Second Lieutenant Bryan, topographical engineers, who commanded two of the pieces that were first with me. He had been for days suffering from sickness, and ought, in prudence, to have been then in bed. I saw him, when exposed to a close and murderous cross fire of grape and canister on one side, and musketry in front, direct the fire of his pieces, and give his commands with the same coolness as if he were on parade. He received a flesh wound in his arm. I beg leave, through you, earnestly to recommend him to the favorable notice of the government."

In the report of Capt Washington, also, he is noticed again, as follows:—

"I would also ask for Lieutenants O'Brien and Bryan the rewards due distinguished merit."

Perhaps no two officers performed more important services on that eventful day, (always excepting Gen. Taylor,) than Capt. Braxton Bragg and Lieut. Bryan, two noble sons of the Old North.

METEOR.—A brilliant Meteor was seen by a number of persons in this town on Tuesday night last, about 11 o'clock. It exploded with a loud report.

NOBLE DONATION.—Messrs Corcoran and Riggs, bankers, of Washington City, have presented $5,000 to the Irish Relief Fund.

President Polk has declined the invitation to visit this place.

CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES.—The Rev. Sidney Walker has retired from the canvass in the Wake District, leaving the four Locofocos in the field.

Hon. Asa Biggs is the Locofoco candidate in the 2th District.

COL. JEFFERSON DAVIS APPOINTED SENATOR IN CONGRESS.—Gov. Brown, of Mississippi, has appointed the gallant Col. Davis, of the Mississippi Rifle Regiment, (promoted to a Brigadier Generalcy a few days ago by Mr. Polk,) Senator in Congress, in place of the late Mr. Speight. This is an acceptable appointment to all parties.

A meeting of the friends of Gen. Taylor for the Presidency, without distinction of party, is called in the Raleigh Register for the 4th of July.

The General has been nominated by similar meetings at Clarksville, Mecklenburg county, Va., at Charles City and New Kent counties, Virginia; and by a Whig Congressional Convention at Bardstown, Ken.

Eleven papers in Virginia have raised the Taylor flag.

GEN. TAYLOR.—A writer in the Spirit of the Times, dated Baton Rouge, La., says he had seen a long letter from Gen. Taylor, eleven pages long. "It was dated (says the writer,) the 20th of February, and was evidently about concluded when the news reached him that Santa Anna was approaching; the letter had been placed quietly in the portfolio—the battle of Buena Vista was fought—and then in a postscript, dated the 25th, there was written—

"*Santa Anna, with 20,000 men, has given us battle, and we have maintained our position.*

Z. T."

"Is there in history a more sublime record of an unparalleled battle; a more modest allusion to one of the greatest events that will appear in future history."

Mr. Webster has sufficiently recovered to leave Augusta for Savannah, where he arrived on Tuesday last.

PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.—Amidst a great deal of other business, the celebrated case of the Rev. Mr. McQueen has been debated for several days, on the Complaint of the Rev. Colin M. Lee and others against the last decision of the Presbytery of Fayetteville. A motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoge, that the Complaint be not entertained, by this House, and is hereby dismissed," was adopted, on Saturday last, 94 votes to 52.

AMERICAN PRISONERS IN MEXICO.—We rejoice to see it stated, in a late letter from the Editor of the Picayune, now with the army in Mexico, that Messrs Grimes and Rowland, Capt. Clay, and Midshipman Rowan, had been released from confinement in the city of Mexico, were going at large there, and were treated with civility. The police being, especially at the South, had become deeply excited on the subject. It will be recollected, that these officers, except Rogers, with about 50 men, were captured in January last, at Encarnacion, marched off to San Luis, and thence to the city of Mexico, where they were confined in a loathsome prison, with a large number of common felons. And this, too, whilst it was known, throughout Mexico, that Gen. La Vega had been released on parole, and was then at large in the streets of New Orleans. After the battle of Buena Vista, on the 23d of February, Gen. Taylor captured Mexicans enough to exchange for Major Gaines and his command; the exchange was effected, and the Mexicans released. Of course, no thanks should have been given for the release of our officers and men. But, on the contrary, the whole South and West are loud in demanding retaliation, by the confinement of La Vega and all the other officers captured at Cerro Gordo. We shall rejoice to find the report of the release of our officers confirmed, that the necessity of so harsh a measure of retaliation may be obviated.

HEADQUARTERS MEXICO.—By the late accounts from Santa Fe, it appears that the Territorial Government instituted there was engaged in *hanging and beheading* such Mexicans as were engaged in the late "rebellion," as it is called. It strikes us that this is an extraordinary, an unheard-of proceeding, as has been the whole system pursued in that unoffending region. The country was conquered, and instead of being held by force of arms, it was constituted a Territory of the United States, a Governor and Courts appointed, *the people compelled to swear allegiance to the United States*, thus summarily converted into citizens of the country with which they were actually at war. And when they again took up arms to expel the invading forces, they are treated, not as enemies, but as rebels, and hanged or whipped.

This may all be according to the laws of war, for what we know; but its effect is said by those who come from the spot, to be any thing but conducive to our new fellow-citizens of Santa Fe, who do not appear to be persuaded by it that they are much better off by becoming citizens of a *free country*.

RAIL ROADS.—*Immense Increase of Business.*—The business of nearly all the Rail Roads in the country has experienced this year the beneficial influence of the prosperity produced by the demand for our breadstuffs in starving Europe, and the consequent prosperity among all classes, farmers, merchants, &c. in the United States. As a specimen, we may notice the increase in the receipts for transportation alone, (exclusive of passengers) *from* Albany to Boston, (not both ways,) for the first four months of this year, as compared with the same months of the preceding four years, viz:

1847.	1846.	1845.	1844.	1847.
$203,359 62	$145,280 88	$88,247 17	$88,142 65	$166,471 24

31,000 barrels of Flour were carried over the road in one week, and more than 500 freight cars passed through Worcester for Boston during one night.

CORN.—We overrated, in our last, the amount of toll derived by the Navigation Company from the shipments of Corn. The Charter of the Company allows a toll of 2 cents per bushel, as was stated; but the Company exacts only three-fourths of a cent—less than half what the law allows.

HAIL STORM.—A subscriber at Monticello, Geo. gives us an account of a great hail storm in that part of the country, extending through the counties of Walton, Newton, De Kalb, Morgan, Jasper, Troup, and Cobb. Immense destruction was done to the fields of cotton, corn, wheat, &c.—The stones varied from the size of a buck shot to that of a man's fist, and in some places it fell to the depth of 3 to 4 feet. Large quantities still lay on the ground on the 24th, a week after it fell, and persons were on that day putting it up in their ice houses.

THE SPOILS.—The Locofoco correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says, that "the Executive mansion and State and Treasury offices are daily beset by applicants for situations in Mexico—such as Governors of Provinces or States, Judges, District Attorneys, Marshals, Clerks of Courts, &c."

"To the victors belong the Spoils"!

Postscript.

LATER FROM GEN. SCOTT'S ARMY.

Letters from Jalapa to the 14th ult. have been received at New Orleans. Gen. Worth left Perote for Puebla on the 10th, with his own and Gen. Quitman's divisions. He was expected to reach there on the 16th. Santa Anna was positively said to have marched for Puebla, with about 2500 men, and hopes are entertained that Worth will meet him. It was thought that his object was to go to the Capital and control the election of President.

Gen. Shields was still improving. Mr. Trist had arrived at Jalapa. Gen. Scott still remained there, but would follow towards Puebla in a few days.

The freedom of the press has been suspended in Mexico.

Circumstances continue to discredit the report of the defeat of Col. Doniphan.

Santa Anna's cork leg has arrived at New Orleans. It belongs to the Illinois volunteers, who captured it.

GEN. TAYLOR AND THE ADMINISTRATION.

From a New Orleans letter in the New York Tribune we take these extracts:

The Volunteers who were with Taylor are returning, full of admiration of his character as a soldier, and a humane and good man.—but overflowing with wrath against the administration, which they believe did its best to sacrifice them. They cannot be convinced of the contrary. I am informed of this by an officer who is among them on the Rio Grande. The people of this country will be astonished and indignant when they know fully the manner in which the concern at Washington has treated Gen. Taylor. I know, from unquestionable authority, that for five months not a single despatch of his has been answered,—unless within the last few weeks—and nothing sent him except an insulting letter, enclosing the letter written by him to Gen. Gaines and demanding to know whether he wrote it. I am glad to say that Gen. Taylor's reply was every way worthy the spirit of the high-toned, free, American citizen, who has never learned to fawn that thrift may follow. He replied that he did write it, and as he did not intend it for publication, had not before examined it very carefully; but now, on a re-examination, he found not a word or expression that he wished to alter. He asked no favors—they might make the most of it. They took away all his regulars save a handful, and left him none but raw volunteers. Had he retreated on Monterey, as directed by the War Department, the whole country from Saltillo to Matamoras, in the opinion of all military men there, would have been lost. There is much more yet to be told on this subject at another time. Thank G d, he has survived and broken down the base conspiracy, for conspiracy it is considered here by all good judges, military men and others.

The Turpentine Distillery of Mr. Thos. Smith, near the Rail Road Depot, Wilmington, was destroyed by fire on Wednesday last.

Sale of Swamp Lands.—His Excellency, Gov. Graham, returned from the sale of the reclaimed Swamp Lands, belonging to the State, on Wednesday last. We are pleased to state, that the attendance was good, and that the limited quantity sold, commanded fine prices, while every disposition was manifested to encourage the sale; but the Board thought it prudent not to continue it, after disposing of a sufficient quantity to construct the Road from Pungo Lake (through the Lands,) to Plymouth, authorized by the last Legislature. When this Road is completed, so that purchasers can enter upon the public Lands and view them (a thing almost impracticable now,) we have little doubt that every acre will command from $20 to $30, such is their extraordinary fertility. About 700 Acres were sold at $40 per acre, and the same price was repeatedly offered for other sections, but the Board refused to receive the bid or continue the sale. The lands disposed of, were among the *least* valuable for Agricultural purposes.

Mr. A. C. Dickenson, of Suffolk, Va. became the contractor for the construction of the Turnpike, referred to above, at the sum of $5,000, and will have it completed in all this year.—*Raleigh Register.*

GENERAL TAYLOR'S POLITICS AND POSITION.

The following paragraph we take from the *Democratic Advocate*, published at Baton Rogue, the place of Gen. Taylor's residence, the Editor of which way be presumed to be conversant with his political opinions. From this it would appear that Gen. Taylor is a friend of Free Trade, and an opponent of "Proscription for opinion's sake."

"Our cotemporaries are disputing about General Taylor's politics. There need be no difficulty on this point. Gen. Taylor gave his last vote for Gen Jackson—he would have voted for Mr. Clay, at the late election, because he personally esteemed and adored him as a statesman, and because he was opposed to the annexation of Texas, on constitutional grounds. Gen. Taylor says he believes in no party, but is called a whig. Gen. T. thought the war with Mexico could and ought to have been avoided. We are satisfied it is annoying the old General to hear of his nomination for the Presidency. But, of one thing we can assure our democratic friends, Gen. T. is no democrat; and will say further—we believe he would never ask a question in appointing men to office, as to their politics; but his measures would not harmonize well with the late and present democratic administrations—save on the Tariff."

In the New Orleans Bulletin of the 20th we find the following expression of Gen. Taylor's views in reference to the Presidency. It is remarkable alike for the unaffected modesty with which he speaks of his own pretensions; the correctness of his views as to the qualifications necessary for the proper discharge of the duties of that high office; and his just appreciation of the rights of the "People" to do what to them may seem best calculated to promote their own interests, and advance the prosperity and honor of the country.

Extract from Gen. Taylor's Letter to a gentleman of West Baton Rouge, La. 15th May, 1847.

"In regard to the Presidency, I will not say that I would not serve, if the good people of the country were to require me to do so, however much it is opposed to my wishes, for I am free to say, that I have no aspirations for the situation. My greatest, perhaps, only wish, has been to bring, or aid in bringing this war to a speedy and honorable close. It has ever been, and still is, my anxious wish, that some one of the most experienced, talented, and virtuous statesmen of the country, should be chosen to that high place at the next election. I am satisfied that, if our friends will do their duty, such a citizen may be elected.

"I must, however, be allowed to say, that I have not the vanity to consider myself qualified for so high and responsible a station, and while we have far more eminent and deserving names before the country, I should prefer to stand aside, if one of them could be raised to the first office in the gift of a free people.

"I go for the country, the whole country—and it is my ardent and sincere wish to see the individual placed at the head of the nation, who, by strict observance of the constitution (be he whom he may) can make us most prosperous at home, as well as most respected abroad."

Revival.—We learn that a very great revival in religion is now going on in the Methodist Church in this place. Many conversions have already been made, and a great number are under the most serious convictions. A number of ministers from a distance are in attendence.

Wilmington Journal.

MARRIED,

In Stanly county, on the 6th inst., by William Allen, Esq., Col. BENJ. F. BARNAWELL, of Anson, to Miss MARY C., daughter of William Morton, Esq.

DIED,

In this town, on Friday last, of brain fever, DUNCAN MURCHISON, infant son of J. D. and Isabella Jane Williams, aged 9 months and 18 days.

In Marion District, S. C., at his residence near Harllesville, on the 9th of March, Col. ARCH'D McKAY. During his sickness, he manifested the most christian meekness, by patient submission to the will of his divine master. He has left a widow with whom he has been most singularly happy for a score of years, to mourn her loss, with three children, to whom we would say, weep not long for those who die in the Lord, for we have every evidence that your friend is in Heaven; but we would say as to the tears which have been wiped from many an eye, they are honest, but weep no more. We do not desire to eulogize the dead; but permit us to say, that while a life of forty-eight years of unsullied honor and intelligence won the respect of the grave and thinking, his kind, indulgent and hilarious nature gave him the equal respect of the young, with whom it was ever his pleasure to mingle. If an honest man is the noblest work of God, he certainly is entitled to this nobility; and if a spotless life of quiet submission to the divine will of Heaven, and of active good will towards mankind, may ever claim its reward, that reward is surely his.

May the turf lie light on his breast,
While his soul is with Jesus at rest.

(Communicated.

At the House of Mrs. Jane Gathings, in Union county, on the 16th ult., JOHN MARSHALL, infant son of Sidney and Mary Jane Rundle, in the 2d year of his age. Console yourselves fond parents, with what Jesus has said—

"I take those little Lambs, said he,
And lay them in my breast,
Protection they shall find in me,
In me forever blest."

(Com.

At Mount Welcome, Lincoln County, N. Ca. on the 1st of May, 1847, Mrs. NANCY FORNEY, relict of the late Gen. Peter Forney, in the 82d year of her age.

FAYETTEVILLE MARKET—JUNE 1.

Brandy, peach,	35 a 40	Iron,	4½ a 5
Ditto, apple,	30 a 35	Molasses,	24 a 28
Bacon,	8½ a 9	Oats,	45
Coffee,	8 a 10	Nails, cut,	5½
Cotton,	10½ a 11½	Sugar, lo'n,	8 a 10
Corn,	85½ a 87½	Salt, Ls,	60
Candles, E. F.,	13 a 15	Ditto, sack,	$1 50 a 1 75
Flour,	7 a 7½	Wheat,	90 a 1 00
Feathers,	26 a 28	Whiskey,	25 a 30
Pork,	5	Beeswax,	21 a 25
Peas,	50 a 60	Rags,	1½ a 2
4-4 Brown Sheetings,			8½ cents
Cotton Yarns, 5 to 10,			18 "

REMARKS.—No change in Cotton. Corn and Flour have advanced. Corn sells at 87½ a 90 cts. Flour 7 to 7½. Bacon 8½ to 9½. Oats 45.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

Bacon 10 to 11½, stock light. Corn 95 to $1. Fayetteville Flour 8 00 to $8; C and D to 9 25. New Virgin Turpentine 2 87½ new Yellow dip 2 30; Hard 1 10—receipts light. Not much activity in Lumber and Timber. Flooring 7 50 to 9 50; Wide 5 to 5 50; Scantling 4 to 4 50. Mill Timber 4 to 6 50; Shipping 5 50 to $10. Rice has risen to $4 50 for best. West India Molasses has risen to 24 to 26. 2000 hds ex Caracas Salt sold at 22 to 22½ cts, cash. Liverpoo. Sack Salt, scarce, at 1 25 to 1 40.

At Cheraw, Cotton 11½ to 12½. Flour 4 50 to 5 00. Corn 62 to 65. Bacon 8 to 9. Lard 10.

At New York, upland cotton dull at 11 to 12½—a decline of ¼ to ½. Flour has fallen, the supply being large. Sales at 8 to 8 25. Wheat $2. Corn $1 08 to $1 12. Whiskey 34 to 35.

At Charleston, Cotton very dull at a fall of ½. Sales at 9½ to 11½. Corn 92 to 93. Flour 7 to 8 50.

Total receipts of Cotton 1,038,655 bales, against 1,552,305 last year.

COMMERCIAL RECORD.

ARRIVALS.

May 25—Steamer Rowena, with Goods for J D Williams, H & E J Lilly, J & T Wadkill, A W Steel, H Branson, T S Lutterloh, J Brookshank, Hall & Hall, C Lutterloh, D Johnson, J M Rose, J C Dobbin, C W Andreaws, and C F Haigh & Son, of this place; and for J McIver, Richmond Co, Scott & McAdoo, D & H M Turner, T Lineback, R D Golding, M C Gardner, E A Vogler, J & J S Gibson, W M Branson, J Conrad & Co, W Clark, M L Holmes, F Friese, J Boiner, J P Covington, J Worth, A Hunt, Holcom & Watson, Sogsbott, J C Ray, A Wade, T Monroe, J R McDonald, L McKellar, M Brown, and K Jones, of the interior.

May 26.—Steamer Evergreen, with Goods for J H Hall, Beaver Creek Co, J D Eccles, B Ross & Son, C T Haigh & Son, W C James & Co, J Easter, D Johnson, J Brookshank, G McNeill, E W Wilkings, J Hooke & Son, S Boon, S W Tillinghast & Co, and H Erambert, of this place; and for D Marshall, G C Mendenhall, E Belo, J & W Murphy, A C Blum, Jenkins & Roberts, M Conn, A H Lindsay, H Winkler, D Lindsay, W Welch, J Hill, and W Peck, of the interior.

DEPARTURE.

May 26.—Steamer Henrietta, with Sheetings, Yarns, Corn, and sundries, for various persons of this place and the interior.

WASHINGTON AND NEW ORLEANS TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

THE subscribers to the Stock of this Company are hereby notified that a payment of 20 per cent. on their subscriptions will be required on or before the 20th day of June next, and another payment of 20 per cent. on the first day of August next, to meet the demands of the Assignee, who is rapidly progressing in the construction of the line.

The money may be paid to Duncan G. McRae, Esq., Fayetteville, N. C.

B. B. FRENCH,
W. W. SEATON, } Trustees.
DAN. GOLD,

Washington City, May 24, 1847. 65-tf

CUMBERLAND ACADEMY.

THE ensuing Session of this Institution will commence on Thursday, the 1st day of July next.

DANIEL JOHNSON, Principal.

June 1. 65-4w

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5000 LBS. BACON AND LARD, of superior quality, and 10 hhds. MOLASSES, just received and for sale by
B. ROSE & SON.

May 31, 1847. 65-3w

In Store and for Sale,

THOMASTOWN LIME, (in good order.)
Plaster Paris,
Roman Cement,
Pure and extra White Lead,
Linseed and Tanners' Oil,
Putty, (in bladders,)
Boxes Window Glass, (various sizes.)
Apply to B. ROSE & SON.

May 31, 1847. 65-3w

McKellar & McRae,

Lumber and Timber Agents and Grocers,

KEEP constantly on hand, all kinds of GROCERIES, Farmers' Implements, HARDWARE, CUTLERY, &c., which they will sell low for cash or approved credit, at the Store formerly occupied by Hall & Armstrong, on North Water street.

Wilmington, N. C., May 25, 1847. 65-2m

NOTICE.

ALL persons are notified and forewarned not to trade for a Note of hand made payable by me to B. J. Crawley, for $200, due the 25th December, 1847, as the same was obtained without any consideration; and also a Bond executed by D. Murchison, Esq. to said Crawley, to make title to two hundred and nine acres of land in Moore county, adjoining the lands of W. Shaw, Esq. and others. The conditions of said Bond have not been complied with on the part of Mr. Crawley.

JAMES RIDDLE.

May 25, 1847. 65-3wpd

DENTISTRY.

J. N. BAIRD,

(Graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery.)

WOULD respectfully inform the public that having located himself in Fayetteville for the purpose of practising his profession, and with the intention of making occasional visits to the neighboring towns and villages, especially to Carthage, Clarkson, Rockingham, Society Hill, Bennettsville, Floral College, &c. He will attend at any other location which may be desired by ... ces, wishing to offer these an opportunity of having ... require Dental operations, to be performed in a manner that will not fail to please.

He deems it unnecessary to enumerate here a long list of references, or of what he can perform, as he can refer to the citizens of Fayetteville and vicinity in general, and all others who have had an opportunity of testing his skill, and will endeavor to give satisfaction or no charges will be made. He may be found at his office in Fayetteville when not professionally engaged out.

Dr. B. will keep constantly on hand a fine assortment of highly approved *Incorruptible Teeth*, Gold Foil, Ivory, Vulcanite, Wood for dressed gums, and a preparation and sponginess, which arrests and ... cession of their decay from the decomposition and destruction of the alveolar processes, which he can safely recommend to the public. Prepared and sold at his office.

Dr. B. having lately received several recipes, some of which he now wishes to ... opportunity of laying before the public, by special request.

Richmond County, N. C. 10th May, 1847.

Having frequently been convinced of Dr.

NEW GOODS.

THE SUBSCRIBERS are now receiving a Fresh Supply of GOODS in their line, viz:

Sack Salt, brown, loaf, crushed, and powdered Rice, Java, Laguira, and Maracaibo Coffee, Rio do. Wrapping Paper, Patte Rice and Cheese Matches, Mould Candles, Sperm and Ginger, Epsom Salts, Madder, Indigo, Starch, Copperas, Logwood, Madder and wool Cards, Brooms, Shoe Brushes, Wash Tubs and Buckets, Wash Boards, Willow Baskets, Butter Prints, Ground Pepper, Mustard, Sweet Spices, Water Buckets, Hoop Iron, Cut Nails, Shoe Thread, Cotton Yarn, Sheeting, Shirting, Bagging, Rope, Twine, Bed Cords, Tacks, Steel, Files, Rasps, Knives and Forks, Table Cutlery, Pocket do. Razors, Scissors, Shears, Spectacles, Looking Glasses, Tea Trays, Waiters, Candlesticks, Snuffers, Candle Moulds, Coffee Mills, Tobacco Boxes, Pipes, Segars, Snuff, Chocolate, Cocoa, Sugar, Molasses, Teas, Wines, Brandies, Gin, Whiskey, Cordials, Champagne Wine in baskets, Port and Madeira Wine, Cherry Brandies, Old Cognac Brandy, Holland Gin, Old Monongahela Whiskey, Loaf and Lump Sugar, Soap, Candles, Starch, Mustard, Pepper, Spices, Nutmegs, Ginger, Cloves, Cinnamon, Alspice, Saleratus, Pearlash, Madder, Indigo, Copperas, Logwood, Fig Blue, Glue, Matches, Sperm Candles, Raisins, Almonds, Filberts, Walnuts, Pecan Nuts, Prunes, Figs, Citron, Lemons, Oranges, Cranberries, Sardines, Pickles, Sauces, Mustard, Cayenne Pepper, Soda Crackers, Butter Crackers, Sugar Crackers, Pilot Bread, Boston Crackers, Pic Nic Biscuit, Water Crackers, Ginger Bread, Sperm Oil, Tanners' Oil, Linseed Oil, Lamp Oil, Castor Oil, Neatsfoot Oil, Spirits Turpentine, Varnish, Paints, Window Glass, Glassware, Queensware, China Ware, Stone Ware, Cedar Buckets, Tubs, Churns, Measures, Brushes, and Matting, Cordage, Anchors